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Minutes of November 9, 2010

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Education was held on Tuesday, November 9, 2010, in room 210, Farnum Building, 125 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, MI 48933.

• Senator Kuipers called the meeting to order at 3:06 P.M. The roll of the Committee was called by the Committee Clerk:

Senator Kuipers - Present

Senator VanWoerkom - Present

Senator Cassis - Present

Senator Whitmer - Excused

Senator Gleason - Excused

Agenda

• Approve minutes from September 23, 2010.

Motion by Senator VanWoerkom to approve the minutes from September 23, 2010 was supported by Senator Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes

Senator VanWoerkom - Yes

Senator Cassis – Yes

Senator Whitmer – Excused

Senator Gleason – Excused

• SB 1581 Sen. Kuipers

Education; teachers; continuing tenure to be based on evaluation of teacher effectiveness; provide for and allow for additional probationary period.

• SB 1582 Sen. Kuipers

Education; teachers; certain requirements for teacher evaluations based on effectiveness; provide for.

- Senator Kuipers gave a brief introduction of the bills.
- Anne Blankenhorn, representing the Senate Majority Policy Office gave a brief introduction of the bills.
- Don Wotruba, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards, spoke in support of SB 1581 and 1582.



- David Michelson, representing the Michigan Education Association, did not wish to speak and opposes SB 1581 and 1582.
- Brad Biladeau, representing MASA and MAISA, did not wish to speak and supports SB 1581 and 1582.
- Debbie Squires, representing the Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association, did not wish to speak and supports SB 1581 and 1582.
- Louise Somalski, representing the American Federation of Teachers, spoke in opposition of SB 1581 and 1582.
- Bob Taylor, representing the Michigan Department of Education, spoke on SB 1581 and 1582 and is neutral.
- Chris Glass, representing the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce, spoke in support of SB 1581 and 1582.
- Motion by Sen. Cassis to report out SB 1581 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect was supported by Sen. VanWoerkom.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes

Senator VanWoerkom - Yes

Senator Cassis – Yes

Senator Whitmer – Excused

Senator Gleason - Excused

 Motion by Sen. VanWoerkom to report out SB 1582 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect was supported by Sen. Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes

Senator VanWoerkom - Yes

Senator Cassis – Yes

Senator Whitmer - Excused

Senator Gleason - Excused

Senator Kuipers adjourned the meeting at 3:44 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Wayae Kuipers Chair

11-30-10

Date Approved